

## CLAIMS

1. A method for correcting transmit power of a radio device  
2 having a plurality of predetermined calibration values and a reference  
voltage signal, the radio device transmitting and receiving on a plurality  
4 of frequencies, each frequency having a frequency index, the method  
comprising the steps of:  
6 receiving a first signal having a first gain, a first frequency of the  
plurality of frequencies, and the first frequency's associated frequency  
8 index;  
determining a receive power value of the first signal;  
10 generating an automatic gain control setpoint in response to the  
receive power value and the reference voltage signal;  
12 selecting a first predetermined calibration value in response to the  
automatic gain control setpoint and the first frequency index;  
14 adjusting the first gain in response to the first calibration value;  
transmitting a second signal having a second gain and a second  
16 frequency of the plurality of frequencies, the second frequency having a  
second frequency index;  
18 determining a transmit power value of the second signal;  
generating a second calibration value in response to the automatic  
20 gain control setpoint, the second frequency index, and the transmit power  
value; and  
22 adjusting the second gain in response to the second calibration  
value.
2. The method of claim 1 and further including the steps of  
2 digitizing the receive power value before generating the automatic gain  
control setpoint and converting the first predetermined calibration value  
4 to an analog value before adjusting the first gain.
3. A radio having a transmit power calibration capability, the  
2 radio transmitting and receiving signals having a plurality of  
frequencies, each frequency having a frequency index, the radio  
4 transmitting signals through a variable gain, transmit amplifier having  
a control input and receiving signals through a variable gain, receive  
6 amplifier having a control input, the radio comprising:  
a power detector, coupled to the receive amplifier, for generating a  
8 first power value from a received signal having a first frequency;

an integrator, coupled to the power detector, for generating an  
10 automatic gain control setpoint from the power value;

a receive linearizer, coupled to the integrator and the receive  
12 amplifier, for generating a receive calibration value in response to the  
automatic gain control setpoint and a first frequency index corresponding  
14 to the frequency of the received signal, the receive calibration value being  
coupled to the receive amplifier control input and adjusting the gain of the  
16 receive amplifier;

a second power detector, coupled to the transmit amplifier, for  
18 generating a second power value from a transmitted signal having a  
second frequency; and

20 a transmit linearizer for generating a transmit calibration value in  
response to the automatic gain control setpoint, the second power value,  
22 and a frequency index corresponding to the second frequency, the  
transmit calibration value being coupled to the control input of the  
24 transmit amplifier and adjusting the gain of the transmit amplifier.

4. A radio having a transmit power calibration capability, the  
2 radio transmitting and receiving signals having a plurality of  
frequencies, each frequency having a frequency index, the radio  
4 transmitting a signal, having a first frequency, through a variable gain  
transmit amplifier having a control input and receiving a signal, having  
6 a second frequency, through a variable gain receive amplifier having a  
control input, the radio comprising:

8 a first analog to digital converter, coupled to the receive amplifier,  
for generating a digital signal from the received signal;

10 a power detector, coupled to the first analog to digital converter, for  
generating a power value from the digital signal;

12 an integrator, coupled to the power detector, for generating an  
automatic gain control setpoint from the power value;

14 a receive linearizer, coupled to the integrator, for generating a  
receive calibration value in response to the automatic gain control point  
16 and a first frequency index corresponding to the second frequency;

a first digital to analog converter, coupled to the receive linearizer,  
18 for generating an analog, receive calibration value from the receive  
calibration value, the analog calibration value coupled to the receive  
20 amplifier control input and varying the gain of the receive amplifier;

a second power detector, coupled to the transmit amplifier, for  
22 generating an analog power value from the transmitted signal;

- a second analog to digital converter, coupled to the second power  
 24 detector, for generating a digital power value from the analog power  
 value;  
 26 a transmit linearizer, coupled to the integrator, for generating a  
 transmit calibration value in response to the automatic gain control  
 28 setpoint, the digital power value, and the frequency index corresponding  
 to the first frequency; and  
 30 a second digital to analog converter, coupled to the second control  
 input, for generating an analog, transmit calibration value from the  
 32 transmit calibration value, the analog, transmit calibration value  
 adjusting the gain of the transmit amplifier.

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5. A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in  
 2 a radio communications system, the radio communications environment  
 comprising a at least one base station that transmits signals to the radio  
 4 including power control commands, the radio comprising a variable gain  
 amplifier and a maximum gain setting, the method comprising the steps  
 6 of:  
 determining an open loop power control value in response to a  
 8 signal received from the at least one base station;  
 determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmit power  
 10 control commands;  
 combining the open loop power control value and the gain adjust  
 12 signal to produce a summation signal;  
 comparing the maximum gain setting to the summation signal;  
 14 if the summation signal is greater than or equal to the maximum  
 gain setting, adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the  
 16 maximum gain setting; and  
 if the summation signal is less than the maximum gain setting,  
 18 adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the summation  
 signal.

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2. The method of claim 5 and further including the step of  
 2 adjusting the maximum gain setting in response to a temperature of the  
 variable gain amplifier.

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7. The method of claim 6 wherein the step of adjusting the  
 2 maximum gain setting further includes the steps of:

transmitting a signal with the variable gain amplifier;  
4 detecting a power value of the transmitted signal;  
scaling the power value to produce a scaled power signal;  
6 subtracting the maximum gain setting from the scaled power  
signal to produce a difference signal; and  
8 adding the difference signal to the maximum gain setting.

8. A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in  
2 a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality  
of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio  
4 comprising a variable gain amplifier and a maximum gain setting, the  
method comprising the steps of:  
6 determining an open loop power control value in response to a  
signal received from at least one cell;  
8 determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmit power  
control commands;  
10 combining the open loop power control value and the gain adjust  
signal to produce a summation signal;  
12 adjusting the maximum gain setting in response to a temperature  
of the variable gain amplifier;  
14 comparing the adjusted maximum gain setting to the summation  
signal;  
16 if the summation signal is greater than or equal to the maximum  
gain setting, prohibiting the gain adjust signal from changing in  
18 response to the transmit power commands;  
if the summation signal is greater than or equal to the maximum  
20 gain setting, adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the  
maximum gain setting; and  
22 if the summation signal is less than the maximum gain setting,  
adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the summation  
24 signal.

9. A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in  
2 a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality  
of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio  
4 comprising a variable gain amplifier, a maximum gain setting, and a  
power limiting accumulator, the method comprising the steps of:  
6 transmitting a signal with the variable gain amplifier;

determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmit power  
8 control commands;  
detecting a power value of the transmitted signal;  
10 digitizing the power value;  
comparing the digitized power value to the maximum gain setting;  
12 if the digitized power value is greater than the maximum gain  
setting, decreasing the gain of the variable gain amplifier; and  
14 if the digitized power value is greater than the maximum gain  
setting, prohibiting the gain adjust signal from changing in response to  
16 the transmit power commands.

10. A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in  
2 a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality  
of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio  
4 comprising a variable gain amplifier, a maximum gain setting, and a  
power control command accumulator that generates a gain adjust signal,  
6 the method comprising the steps of:

transmitting a signal with the variable gain amplifier;  
8 determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmit power  
control commands;  
10 detecting a power value of the transmitted signal;  
digitizing the power value;  
12 comparing the digitized power value to the maximum gain setting;  
if the digitized power value is greater than the maximum gain  
14 setting, decreasing the gain adjust signal by a predetermined amount for  
every predetermined unit of time until the gain adjust signal is less than  
16 the maximum gain setting; and

if the digitized power value is less than or equal to the maximum  
18 gain setting, varying the gain of the variable gain amplifier in response to  
the gain adjust signal.

11. A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in  
2 a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality  
of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio  
4 comprising a variable gain amplifier, a maximum gain setting, and a  
power limiting accumulator, the method comprising the steps of:

6 transmitting a signal with the variable gain amplifier;  
determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmit power  
8 control commands;

detecting a power value of the transmitted signal;  
10 digitizing the power value;  
determining a difference between the digitized power value and the  
12 maximum gain setting;  
integrating the difference to generate a gain control signal, the gain  
14 control signal being limited to a predetermined range;  
adjusting the variable gain amplifier with the gain control signal;  
16 if the gain control signal is less than a predetermined value,  
prohibiting the gain adjust signal from changing the variable gain  
18 amplifier in response to the transmit power commands.

12. A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in  
2 a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality  
of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio  
4 comprising a variable gain amplifier and a power limiting accumulator,  
the method comprising the steps of:  
6 receiving a signal from at least one of the plurality of cells;  
determining a power value of the signal;  
8 determining a closed loop power control value in response to the  
signal;  
10 generating a limiting gain control setting in response to the closed  
loop power control value and the power value, the limiting gain control  
12 signal being within a predetermined range;  
combining the closed loop power control value and the power value  
14 and the limiting gain control setting to generate a gain control setting;  
and  
16 adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the gain control  
setting.  
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